# The Sixteenth Annual Tennessee Workers' Compensation Educational Conference

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Nashville Airport Marriott

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The Workers' Compensation Division of the Tennessee Department of Labor & Workforce Development and the International Workers' Compensation Foundation are jointly sponsoring an Educational Conference which is unique in Tennessee. The goal of this conference is to educate those who participate in the Tennessee workers' compensation system regarding current rules, procedures, policies and forms and to provide an opportunity for dialogue among these participants.

Breakout sessions will be utilized to discuss certain topics in specific detail, allowing a more specialized view, while other topics will be presented from a more general perspective.

# Who Should Attend?

All employers, insurance adjusters, self-insurers, third party administrators, safety and human resource managers, plaintiff and defense attorneys, health care providers, mediators and medical and vocational rehabilitation providers are encouraged to attend. In fact, anyone interested in the workers' compensation system in Tennessee will receive valuable information at the conference.

# **Registration Fee**

The cost for attending this informative conference is: \$300 Early bird registration before May 1st \$350 Registration after May 1st

Registration fee includes conference materials and special functions, including two continental breakfasts, one luncheon and one reception. Casual attire is appropriate for all functions.

# Location

The Nashville Airport Marriott 600 Marriott Drive Nashville, TN 37214 (615) 889-9300 Ph.

A block of rooms has been reserved at the conference hotel at the conference rate of \$159, single or double. The rooms will be held through May 22, 2013, unless this block becomes fully reserved prior to this date. Register early! Indicate you are attending the 16th Annual Tennessee Workers' Compensation Educational Conference when making your reservations.

# **Continuing Education Credits**

Participants may be eligible for continuing education credits for conference attendance. CEU applications are pending for approval in the following disciplines: rehabilitation providers (CEU for CRC, CDMS, CCM) and attorneys (MCLE).

# CONFERENCE REGISTRATION FORM SIXTEENTH ANNUAL TENNESSEE WORKERS' COMPENSATION EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE June 19-21, 2013

Complete, copy and return this form for each attendee along with a CHECK (Credit Cards Not Accepted) made payable to the IWCF (International Workers' Compensation Foundation) and mail to: IWCF, 570 Memorial Circle, Suite 320, Ormond Beach, FL 32174.

\$300.00 per person paid prior to 5/1/13

\$350.00 paid after 5/1/13		
Name:(Please PRINT name as you wish	n it to appear on your name tag)	
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LODGING - The Nashville Airport Marriott welcomes you to its convenient location, just 10 minutes from the airport & downtown Nashville. A block of rooms has been reserved at the rate of \$159.00 single or double plus applicable taxes. This rate will be available through May 22, 2013, unless this block becomes fully reserved prior to this date. Indicate you are attending the Sixteenth Annual Tennessee Workers' Compensation Educational Conference when calling to make your reservations. Register early by calling the Marriott's direct number, (615) 889-9300. You can reach the Marriott from the airport by taking I-40 west, take first exit onto Briley Parkway North, turn right immediately onto Elm Hill Pike, turn right at first traffic light onto Marriott Drive - hotel is at top of hill. Hotel reservations alone do not guarantee admission to the conference.

CONTINUING EDUCATION CREDITS - Application will be made for CRC, CDMS, CCM, and MCLE credits.

CANCELLATION REFUND POLICY - Cancellation of preregistration must be made before 5:00 pm on June 7, 2013. Substitution of personnel is recommended in lieu of cancellation after that date. The full registration fee will be forfeited if you fail to attend or cancel timely.

SPECIAL NEEDS - Individuals attending the conference who may need auxiliary aids or special services are requested to provide notice of their needs in writing no later than 10 working days before the conference so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

DRESS CODE - Casual clothing is appropriate for all events.

Registration Fees:

For further information contact the IWCF office at (386) 677-0041, Fax (386) 677-0155, or email: IWCF@bellsouth.net.

Net proceeds from this event, if any, go to the International Workers' Compensation Foundation (FEIN# 35-1737364), a non-profit organization, to further its work in workers' compensation education and research.

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# **EXHIBITOR & SPONSOR REGISTRATION FORM**

## ATTENTION EXHIBITORS

Fee of \$750 includes two (2) complimentary registrations for exhibitor representatives. Two (2) additional registrants will be accepted at the rate of \$250 each. A separate registration form should be completed for each additional registrant.

Space is offered on a first come, first serve basis and will only be reserved upon our receipt of this registration form, which may be faxed to (386) 677-0155 or emailed to iwcf@bellsouth.net. For additional information regarding exhibit area, contact the IWCF office at (386) 677-0041. Booth setup will be in the exhibitor area on Wednesday, June 19, 2013, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Teardown will be on Friday, June 21, 2013 at 12:00 pm.

Refreshment Breaks will be held in the Exhibition area. Registration fee includes one 6' draped table and two chairs, registration for two representatives and twenty-four hour security. Full fee forfeiture if unable to attend.

#### EXHIBITOR INSURANCE HOLD/HARMLESS CLAUSE

Exhibitor assumes entire responsibility and hereby agrees to protect, indemnify, defend, save and hold harmless the International Workers' Compensation Foundation (IWCF), employees and agents, Chelsea Place Meetings and its employees and agents, the State of Tennessee and the Nashville Airport Marriott against all claims, losses and damages to persons or property, governmental charges or fines and attorney fees arising out of or caused by exhibitor's installation, removal, maintenance, occupancy or use of the exhibition premises or part thereof, excluding any such liability caused by the sole negligence or concurrent comparative negligence of the Nashville Airport Marriott and their employees and agents, Chelsea Place Meetings and its employees and agents, as well as the IWCF, its members, employees, agents and the State of Tennessee.

In addition, exhibitor acknowledges that the State of Tennessee, the Nashville Airport Marriott, Chelsea Place Meetings and the IWCF do not maintain insurance covering exhibitors' property or potential liabilities and that it is the sole responsibility of the exhibitor to obtain business interruption insurance, property damage insurance and liability insurance covering such losses by exhibitor. Exhibitor shall obtain and keep in force during the term of the installation and use of the exhibit premises, policies of comprehensive general liability insurance and contractual liability insurance and specifically referring to contractual liability set forth in the foregoing paragraphs hereof, in an amount not less than \$1,000,000.00 combined single limit for personal injury and property damage. The Nashville Airport Marriott, the State of Tennessee, Chelsea Place Meetings, and the IWCF shall be included in such policies as additionally named insureds for this convention only.

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:	
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### SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITY

You are invited to register as a sponsor for the Tennessee Workers' Compensation Educational Conference. The following sponsorship levels are available:

Silver: \$500 Contribution

 Organization name will appear on a large "Thank You Sponsor" sign in exhibit area.

Gold: \$1,000 Contribution

- Organization name and contact information will appear in conference program
- Organization name will appear on a large "Thank You Sponsor" sign in exhibit area.

Meal

Function: Fee Variable

- Reception, Breaks, or Lunch
- go to: www.iwcf.us/TennesseeSponsorship.pdf

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# TENTATIVE AGENDA & TOPICS June 19-21, 2013

# **TENTATIVE TOPICS**

# 2013 Legislative Reforms

**Review of the Administrative Processes** 

#### **Discussion of Legal Issues**

- Definition of Injury
- Establishing Causation
- Liberal Construction

#### **Discussion of Medical Issues**

- Valid Panels
- Expediting Medical Treatment through Utilization Review
- Pain Management Opioids & Other Prescription Issues

# **Discussion of Permanent Partial Disability Benefits**

• Impairment Ratings

Ethical Issues in Workers' Comp -Exploring the Differences in the Codes of Conduct for

- Judges
- Mediators
- Attorneys

# First Time Offered - A Beginner's Track for Employers or Adjusters Who Are New to Tennessee WC

- How and When to Report an Injury
- The Correct Standard for Denying a Claim
- Navigating the Request For Assistance Process
- Best Practices for a Benefit Review Conference
- Avoiding the Penalty Program

Case Law Update

# TENTATIVE AGENDA

# WEDNESDAY, JUNE 19, 2013

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10:00 am – 1:00 pm	Vendor Set-up
	Registration
	Welcome and
1	Conference Overview
1:15 pm – 5:00 pm	General Session
	Reception
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/:30 am – 8:30 am	Continental Breakfast
8:30 am – 12:00 pm	General Session
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm	
1:30 am – 5:00 pm	

# **FRIDAY, JUNE 21, 2013**

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7:30 am – 8:30 am	 		Continental Breakfast
8:30 am – 12:00 pm			
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12:00 pm	 •••••		Adiourn

For final program and additional information, go to http://www.state.tn.us/labor-wfd/wcomp.html

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Early Bird Conference Registration Deadline: 5/1/13 Hotel Conference Rate Deadline: 5/22/13